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1. "The following information on the Szczecinskie artificial silk factory (Szczecinskie Zaklady Wlokien Sztucznych W Zydowcaah Nr. 4) dates through July 1953:
2. "The factory is located in Zydowce, the southern suburb of Szczecin, on the right bank of the Odra River. The plant area stretches between the Szczecin-Kostrzyn railway line and the Odra River, in the southern outskirts of the Szczecin locality.
3. "The factory was built before World War II and was badly damaged during the World War II years. However, it resumed operations rather rapidly after the end of hostilities. By 1947-48, the first product had left the plant.
4. "At the present time [1953], the factory is still being enlarged. A new huge six-story building is in the last phase of construction just behind the main factory work-hall. In July 1953, new machinery was installed here. Another recent investment in the factory was the construction of a water tower and a renovation of the devices for purification of the water. (At present, a makeshift canal dug out between the factory and the Odra River with rather makeshift installations for purification is serving this purpose.) Behind the administrative building, a new two-story building is in its final stage of construction. This new building will later house offices and laboratories.
5. [redacted] deputy is a (fnu) Berent, who is by profession a chemical engineer. Berent is responsible for production.
6. [redacted] the plant's production of artificial silk is based on cellulose imported from other factories, mainly from Silesia. Quite a quantity of a special artificial fibre is produced as a by-product. The consistency of this fibre is like wool. [redacted] this product (called Arngora) is undergoing special processings in the nitrocellulose fabrication. This production is rather new in the plant.

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7. "The plant employs around two thousand workers and employees, mostly on a three-shift schedule.

Security Activities of Industrial Police

8. "The entire factory area is very heavily guarded. Fifty-five guards belong to the Industrial Police. This detachment is under the 38 year-old commandant Stanislaw Malyva and his deputy (fmu) Zieliński. Both of them are indulgent and tolerant guys.
9. "The Industrial Police Detachment for the artificial silk plant comes under the jurisdiction of the county inspection office (inspektorat wojewódzki) in Szczecin. Industrial Police Detachments attached to other industrial enterprises in Szczecin also come under the jurisdiction of this office, which is located on Piastów Alley. The Commanding Officer at this office is Major (fmu) Łacwik. his office comes, in turn, under the command of the county UB. (It is worth underscoring in this connection that the Industrial Police should be considered as another part of the Polish semimilitary forces, although this is not shown on any record.)
10. "The Industrial Police are equipped with Mauser-type carbines. Each guard is given ten rounds of sharp ammunition for his sentry duty. A guard is permitted to shoot after the so-called third 'call'."

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map of the Żydówce Suburb of Szczecin showing the location of the artificial silk factory. The map is drawn to a scale of 1: 10,000 and the following legend applies:

Legend:

1. Spinnery and so-called "manipulation" section where the fibre is spooled and reeled.
2. Warehouses for stocking the so-called "Arugora"
3. Acid-processing Section
4. Cellulose warehouse
5. New six-story factory building not yet completed
6. Sulphur processing Section
7. Boiler house
8. Main transformer house
9. The old and the new (now under construction) watertower
10. Two-story building offices
11. Two-story building, new building to be occupied by offices
12. One-story building-Industrial Police
13. Workshops
14. Refinery and purification installations - now renovated
15. Temporary purification canal

Note: On the sketch all new, or partly rebuilt, buildings are marked in red.

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